

**Meeting Minutes**

November 15, 2021

- I. Call to Order: 3:04pm
- II. Attendance: See Appendix 1.
- III. Adoption of the Agenda.
  1. Motion to adopt: Roberts/Smith, M.
  2. Motion to amend the agenda to change the bylaws on the agenda:  
Selekwa
    - i. Ruled out of order by President Salajan.
  3. Approved unanimously
- IV. Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 11, 2021.
  1. Approved unanimously
- V. Announcements.
  1. Dean Bresciani, President
    - i. Absent, on university business
  2. Margaret Fitzgerald, Provost
    - i. Federal vaccine mandate update. NDSU will be implementing Phase I by contacting federally paid employees, and then having all of them vaccinated or excused when appropriate. Phase II will be implemented when information and resources make it appropriate.
    - ii. Faculty Senate Budget Committee made recommendations on faculty to serve on the committees for budget reductions and other efficiencies. The Provost will be acting on them soon.
  3. Florin Salajan, Faculty Senate President
    - i. SB 2030 update. At the moment we are still a bit in the dark about what it entails for faculty and others, even with the Attorney General's opinion. Working with administration to figure out the best way forward on this. The NDUS counsel is working on guidance on how NDUS employees can be compliant. It is unclear to what extent academic freedom is being limited or impinged.

4. Dennis Cooley, Faculty Senate Past-President
  - i. No announcements
5. Anastassiya Andrianova, Faculty Senate President-Elect
  - i. Echoed President Salajan's direction to remain vigilant in regard to SB 2030.
  - ii. Mentioned HB 1508, the anti-CRT bill, that has become state law and the possibility of it being extended to higher education. If so, it would adversely affect academic freedom. In a private capacity only, faculty can contact their representatives or other faculty to convey their concern on HB 1508 and SB 2030.
6. Joshua Schroetter, Staff Senate President
  - i. They are looking forward to collaboration on shared government committee. They have a member on Faculty Senate committee as well as having their own committee on the subject.
  - ii. They are putting together a Day of Honor. There will be forms sent out to faculty soon. They would love to have faculty on the planning committee.
    - a. Please let Presidents Salajan or Schroetter know if you are willing to serve.
7. Laura Friedmann, Student Body Vice-President
  - i. Carl Ludewig substituted for L. Friedmann.
  - ii. Stated that Student Government is continuing to back academic freedom and support faculty at the university and thanked the Faculty Senate for their work on SB 2030.
  - iii. Student Government passed a resolution to cancel classes during career fairs. It will be sent to Faculty Senate to examine.
  - iv. Student Government has appointed student representative on Faculty Senate shared governance committee.
8. Philip Hunt, Registrar
  - i. All members of the campus community should have received invitations to NDSU's Fall Commencement.
  - ii. Faculty are at 93% completion rate for FERPA training. Need to get to 100%.
  - iii. Registration is open.
  - iv. Question: Do we know how many students have registered so far? There are low enrollments in some classes.
    - a. Administrative assistants can find that information for faculty.
9. Alicia Laferriere, NDSU Bookstore

- i. Presented a PowerPoint of Fall information.
- ii. There has been a large increase in Inclusive Access use by faculty.
- iii. If faculty have not submitted book requests for classes, then there will be individualized emails coming out as a reminder.
- iv. The faculty survey is still out.
- v. If you have any questions or have any needs, then please contact her for help.
- vi. President Salajan shared slides with the Senators over email.

## VI. Committee and Other Reports.

### 1. Budget Committee report

- i. Polled colleges for names of potential members to serve on the various ad hoc committees/workgroups that President Bresciani created to investigate ways to better budget and invest university monies. Some colleges had very few volunteers; so, they were pressed to nominate qualified faculty members. The Budget Committee made recommendations to the Provost. Within next week or so, the committees will be fully staffed and working.
- ii. The class sizes committee has a draft report that the Faculty Senate Budget Committee will review. There is a forum on Friday - 19 November 2021 - for public comment.
- iii. Budget Committee is meeting for a second time with President Bresciani to discuss ideas on what NDSU should do going forward.
- iv. Question: Can faculty or Faculty Senate see the report and recommendations before Friday?
  - a. No, they will be presented on Friday to get feedback first.

### 2. President Salajan stated that the Shared Governance Committee is fully staffed. The Grading Policy Committee is missing people from the Colleges of Business and Health Professions. The International and Global Engagement Committee lacks a number of people.

- i. Please send in nominations as soon as possible. If the Faculty Senate does not have adequate representation on the committees then we should vote to disband the committee/s at the next regular Faculty Senate meeting.

## VII. Consent Agenda.

- 1. UCC Report
- 2. Policy 100
- 3. Policy 167

4. Policy 724

- i. Senator Arnold had Policy 134.1 moved to New Business: Arnold.
- ii. President Salajan declared that the consent agenda was approved without objection.

VIII. Unfinished Business: None.

IX. General Order.

- 1. Proposed amendment to the Faculty Senate Bylaws (Article II, Section 6)
  - i. Motion to approve amendment to the Faculty Senate Bylaws (Article II, Section 6): Cooley/Andrianova
  - ii. Motion to amend Article IV, Section 9 to include more members to the Faculty Rights Committee: Selekwa/
    - a. President Salajan ruled the motion out of order because the requested change had not been distributed to the faculty nine days before the meeting in which it is considered.
    - b. Requested change added to new business.
  - iii. Motion approved (Appendix 2 - Q1): 31 (Selekwa)<sup>1</sup> aye; 1 nay; 2 abstain

X. New Business.

- 1. Policy 328
  - i. Motion to approve: Arnold/Hassel
  - ii. No discussion
  - iii. Motion approved (Appendix 2 - Q2): 29 (Selekwa) aye; 1 nay; 4 abstain
- 2. Policy 134.1
  - i. Motion to approve: Arnold/Selekwa
  - ii. No discussion
  - iii. Motion approved (Appendix 2 - Q3): 31 (Selekwa) aye; 2 nay; 1 abstain
- 3. Proposal for prior learning assessment for the degree completion program
  - i. Motion to approve: Andrianova/Wood
  - ii. Question about the origin of this proposal and who wrote it.
    - a. Jessie Bauer gave information on the proposal. This option is being accepted at many universities for returning students with work experience as an option to facilitate degree

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<sup>1</sup> Senator Selekwa voted in person on Q1-Q3; therefore, his vote is not recorded in the vote tallies in Appendix 2.

completion. A small committee of staff was created to write the proposal.

- iii. Question about how many students would be using it and what is the review process?
  - a. Not many students will take this option. Had 54 students for whom this policy is relevant registered since 2020. Many of them would want this option but only a couple would use it per semester.
  - b. A faculty member from each college examines each proposal to determine if the student meets the outcomes.
- iv. Motion approved (Appendix 2 - Q4): 32 aye; 2 nay; 2 abstain.
- 4. Motion to consider for the next Faculty Senate meeting a change to Faculty Senate Bylaws Article IV, Section 9 to include 7 members on the Standing Committee on Faculty Rights - one from each college: Selekwa/Emmanuelson
  - i. North Dakota SBHE Policy 605.2 states that the committee may have 3 or 5 members only.
  - ii. Motion was withdrawn.

XI. Adjournment: Roberts/Overton

- 1. Approved unanimously
- 2. Adjourned at 4:12pm

## Appendix 1

Attendance Name	Substitution	Present
Aldrich-Wolfe, Laura		X
Amiri, Ali		X
Andrianova, Anastassiya		X
Arnold, Lisa		X
Asa, Eric		X
Berg, Eric		X
Burt, Sean		X
Byrd, Christopher		X
Choi, Juwon		X
Christensen, Warren		X
Cooley, Dennis		X
Creese, John	Mataic, D.	X
Emanuelson, Pam		X
Fellows, Kristen		X
Harringer, Shannon		X
Hassel, Holly		X
Hershberger, John		Absent
Hong, Yontao (David)		X
Huseth-Zosel, Andrea		X
Jackson, Jeremy		X
Kilina, Svetlana		Absent
Larson, Jamee		X
Limb, Ryan	Prischmann-Voldseth, D.	X
Lin, Zhibin		X
March, Raymond		X
McGrath, Ryan	Smith, J.	X
Nordstrom, Onnolee		X
O'Rourke, Stephen		X
Overton, Kimberly		X
Peltier, Allison		X
Philbrick, Candace		X
Rahman, Mukhlesur		X
Roberts, David		X
Ross, Darrell		X
Salajan, Florin		X

Selekwa, Majura	X
Smith, Matthew	X
Thompson, Sara	X
Tian, Ruilin	X
Ungar, Abraham	X
Wood, Scott	X
Wu, Xiangfa	X
Yan, Changhui	X
Yan, Guiping	X
Zhang, Qi	X
Zhao, Pinjing	X

## Appendix 2

**Session Name:** Ballot 11-15-2021 4-24 PM

**Date Created:** 11/15/21, 3:52:05 PM      **Active Participants:** 36 of 52

**Questions:** 4

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### Results Detail

Last Name	First Name	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
ALDRICH-WOLFE	Laura	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
ANDRIANOVA	Anastassiya	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
ARNOLD	Lisa	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
ASA	Eric	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
BERG	Eric	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
BURT	Sean	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
BYRD	Christopher	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
CHOI	Juwon	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
CHRISTENSEN	Warren	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
FELLOWS	Kristen	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
HARRIGER	Shannon	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
HASSEL	Holly	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
HONG	Yongtao	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
HUSETH-ZOSEL	Andrea	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
JACKSON	Jeremy	AYE	ABS	AYE	AYE
LARSON	Jamee	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE

MARCH	Ray	NAY	NAY	NAY	NAY
MATAIC	Dane	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
NORDSTROM	Onnolee	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
O'ROURKE	Stephen	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
OVERTON	Kimberly	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
PHILBRICK	Candace	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
RAHMAN	Md Mukhlesur	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
ROBERTS	David	AYE	ABS	NAY	NAY
ROSS	Darrell	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
SELEKWA	Majura	-	-	-	AYE
SMITH	Joseph	AYE	ABS	AYE	ABS
SMITH	Matthew	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
THOMPSON	Sara	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
TIAN	Ruilin	-	-	-	AYE
VOLDSETH	Deirdre	ABS	AYE	AYE	AYE
WOOD	Scott	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
YAN	Changhui	ABS	ABS	ABS	ABS
YAN	Guiping	-	-	-	AYE
ZHANG	Qi	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE
ZHAO	Pinjing	AYE	AYE	AYE	AYE